

# WESTERN CANADA'S CEREAL CROP

One of the Best Ever Harvested.

The cereal crop of Western Canada for 1917 was the most valuable one ever harvested; the returns from all classes of live stock have been equally satisfactory. The wool clip was not only greater than in any previous year, but the price obtained was double that of 1916, which in turn was almost double that of the year before.

As was the case in 1915 and 1916, many farmers were able to pay for their land outright with the proceeds of their first year's crop. Further evidence of the prosperity of Western Canada is shown by the fact that one in every twenty of the population is now the owner of an automobile. If the farming community alone is taken, it will be found that the proportion of automobile owners is still greater. The bank clearings of the leading cities of Western Canada were consistently higher than they were in the corresponding periods of 1916, and then they were higher than the year preceding. In Winnipeg \$500,000,000 more was cleared in the 11 months ending November 30 than in the same months a year ago.

The entry of the United States into the war has strengthened the bonds between that country and Canada. We are now working together for the same ends. Those who are not fighting are promoting a greater production of foodstuffs. In this connection Western Canada offers a wonderful opportunity. Not only can larger quantities of staple foodstuffs be produced, but the cost of production is lower and the remuneration greater than where land is more expensive. Notwithstanding the fact that the price of farm products has doubled during the past three years, there are millions of acres of arable land in Western Canada which can still be bought at a low price.

Western Canada has an enormous acreage prepared for seeding to wheat in 1918. It is larger than in 1917, and will probably surpass the record area put into crop in the year 1915, when the largest crop ever known in the West was harvested. The year 1918 should also see a further increase in live stock activity.

Farmers have been investing considerable sums in cattle; the high prices secured for wool and mutton have opened the eyes of Western farmers to the possibilities of sheep, and such was the demand for breeding animals last fall that it was impossible to meet it adequately; the campaign for greater hog production is expected to yield an increase of between 25 and 50 per cent in 1918.

Those who are contemplating coming to Western Canada cannot do better than come early in the spring when they can put in a crop and harvest it in the fall. In this way they will be able to achieve something that will not only be of great benefit to themselves, but also to the great cause for which the Allies, including the United States, are now fighting.—Advertisement.

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## Baseless Criticism of the Red Cross Is a German Propaganda

By HENRY P. DAVISON  
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There is a propaganda going forth in this country. It is a German propaganda, and it is very prevalent and fervent in the East, even more so than in the West, and it goes much like this: "Did you know that Mr. So-and-So told me last night that Mr. So-and-So said that Mr. So-and-So had been told by Mrs. So-and-So such and such a thing about the Red Cross? Of course I did not believe it, but that is what he said."

Now that is nothing more than German propaganda. It is going to be stopped, not because of any authority exercised by the Red Cross, but because the public is going to demand that it must stop. Whatever else anybody is going to do in this country, if the people know it, they are not going to contribute to German propaganda.

There is another criticism of the American Red Cross that is a thoughtless kind of criticism, and that also ought to be stopped, and the way to stop it is this: Somebody may say in very good faith that he is told such and such a thing is so. It is our duty to say to that person: "Do you know it is so? If you don't, stop repeating it until you find out, and if you find out that it is so, write a letter to the Red Cross. They will thank you for your letter."

Do not make any mistake about it—the Red Cross not only permits, but urges criticism when it is constructive and honest. But this idle talk going on is harmful, and it must be stopped.

We have an organization which is perfectly enormous. It is a voluntary organization, and we are getting on wonderfully. We have not 100 per cent efficiency, but if people will see to it that the Red Cross is not criticized except constructively we will get the efficiency.

## Burden of Carrying on the War Cannot Be Shifted to the Future

By ROY G. BLAKEY, Ph. D., of University of Minnesota

When we stop to think, we know that it is not twenty-one billions of dollars which our government wants ultimately, but twenty billion dollars' worth of commodities and service. Our national income does not consist of forty-five or fifty billions of dollars of gold, silver and paper, but of that many dollars' worth of wheat, lumber, minerals, clothing, automobiles etc. There are less than five billions of actual gold, silver and paper dollars in existence in the United States. These dollars are the counters in terms of which the real things are measured and by means of which they are exchanged more easily. For our present purposes to have gold or silver or paper is not to have anything of value in itself, but merely to have a claim upon real things for which it can be exchanged. It is obvious that our government needs money in order that it may exchange it for men and commodities, for it is with these that it must fight the German military forces. It is obvious, also, that it must have these men and commodities now. Munitions of 1930 and men not yet born cannot be hurled against the enemy's lines. The burden of furnishing all of these things must be assumed now; it cannot be put off till the future.

If we could borrow from other nations, we might fight the war with what they loaned to us and we ourselves go ahead consuming what we produce, as we have been doing before the war. In that case, we could shift the paying of them—that is, the burden of the war, to the future. But there are no other nations who can lend to us at this time; we ourselves must raise an army, equip it and keep it supplied. Not only must all of this be done at home, but in addition we must help to feed and equip our allies. None of this can be left to the future.

Of course the next generation will be injured because of this war. Billions of dollars' worth of labor and food and steel and other materials that are now absolutely destroyed in war are diverted from the construction of railroads, irrigation systems, manufacturing plants, improved roads, houses, all of which might have aided our descendants and made their lives fuller and happier. If a man's property is destroyed, his children receive an impaired heritage; both he and they suffer. Our descendants must suffer in this fashion because much of their patrimony is being destroyed. But their sacrifice in the future cannot relieve our present sacrifice by one jot or one tittle. We cannot, as a nation, postpone our burden if we would, nor can the future help us. Then why delude ourselves with thinking that it can?

## America Must Indict German Government and People That Support It

By WILLIAM E. WALLING

Why have we permitted the German propaganda to spread among us its poison of hatred against the world's democracies and the germs of unreason and moral cowardice by which it had already inoculated and stupefied its own people?

Why did we not resist this propaganda? For the simple reason that despotic governments can make propaganda in their own and other countries, while democratic governments—being based on freedom of opinion—cannot. Against Germany's poison gases, against her treacherous murder of women and children, we can and do react. Against her intellectual and moral poisons, so far, we have been helpless.

The German propaganda has conquered its millions of recruits throughout the world not only by its vast volume, its infinite repetitions, and its infinite variety, but also by its boldness. It has always been on the aggressive. It has always claimed everything. And it has always succeeded in planting at least a part of its germs of discord and unreason in at least a part of the American public's mind.

Germany assumed the diplomatic offensive at once with the beginning of the war. We still take the diplomatic defensive. And in diplomacy, as in military operations, the defensive—in the long run—is hopeless. We must assume the diplomatic offensive and keep it to the end, or international democracy will lose the war. We must pillory the German government and that part of the German people that supports it, before the public opinion of all the earth. And we must repeat the operation and add to the damning indictment every day that the war continues.

## Veils Emerge From Retirement



The veil, long loved of women, sometimes undergoes a short period of retirement, but is never wholly forgotten or neglected. Except for small face veils and much abbreviated motor veils, the season just passing has not occupied itself with this particular prerogative of womanhood. Even so the small-face veil, in considerable variety, is a fact of every well-regulated wardrobe. It is often inconspicuous to the point of being nearly invisible. The plain, open-mesh varieties of finest threads almost reach the vanishing point. But signs and tokens are pointing to the return of veils, and suddenly they have appeared on all four corners at once.

Some rather startling things happen to the face when veils of fine mesh that are hardly discernible, indulge in one or two bold figures in applique or embroidery. These figures can be seen long before the veil itself comes into view and they play curious tricks on the eyes that follow them. Except for the plain mesh face veil they are the most popular of the veils of today.

An example of this bit of feminine waywardness appears in the picture, showing a next-to-invisible veil with two large and aggressive clover leaves on it. One of them obliterates about half of the mouth and the other threatens an eye. Perhaps they are intended to make us look twice at a pretty face.

A becoming veil with the same sort of mesh, has a very few widely scattered and vividly black dots on it, that are as sparkling as the black patches of colonial days. These veils are worn with small hats or turbans. Another new design has small wavy lines of embroidery mingling about all over the mesh. This one is less becoming than the dotted or plain patterns, but lends us to believe that women are about to revive the veil and go to any length with it. Veils that cover the hat and reach to the shoulder have already begun hovering over small hats. Veils of chiffon wound about street hats are extended into scarfs that encircle the throat and hang in a long end over the shoulder.

## New Departures in Sleeping Garments



Sleeping garments are shown in such a variety of designs this season that every lover of fine lingerie may choose among night dresses, pajamas, pantalettes with mandarin coats and combinations that are neither night gowns nor pajamas but a little of both. The two-piece garments are mostly made of crepe-de-chine or wash satin, but night gowns remain fairly faithful to fine cottons. Whether of cotton or silk they are lace trimmed or embellished with fine embroideries. Fresh and pink are the favorite colors for silk sleeping garments with embroidery in the same color and laces in white. Occasionally white satin mandarin coats are bordered with a light color in satin, to be worn with pantalettes to match. In the most elaborate sets the coats are embroidered in gay floral patterns in several light colors.

Among the prettiest and most desirable of new night gowns there are some specimens that are entirely home made. They are of crepe-de-chine or satin with yokes or trimming of home made crochet. Small medallions, much like those that are familiar to us in the Irish crochet lace, are made of colored silk floss, matching the crepe or satin to be used in the night dress in color. The medallions are set in about the neck and along the edge of the short sleeves, which are cut in one

with the body of the garment. A narrow beading and edge of crochet finishes the neck and baby ribbon threaded through the beading, provides the means of adjusting the gown to the shoulder.

In the night gown pictured, of flesh-pink satin, the crocheted yoke in the same color has bands and figures in pale blue worked into the pattern. If longer sleeves are wanted, elbow length ruffles of satin or plaiting of georgette may be set on to the crocheted bands. This is a very interesting garment for the girl who is making her trousseau.

Julia Bottanelli

### Care of the Nails.

A few minutes' attention in the morning and at night will keep the nails and hands in excellent condition and add a well-groomed effect to the whole appearance.

### Cravenetted Ostrich.

"Cravenette" finish ostrich feathers are the latest and are said to withstand dampness. The "cravenetting" is said to leave no apparent trace—they are just as fine and soft as ever.

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### His Vacation.

"Booze even gets into men's vacations and tangles them up," declared a temperance lecturer some time ago. "A man took the steamer for Boston with his wife. But the minute he got aboard he disappeared into the black, ill smelling hole they call the bar. Some hours later his wife hurried down to the bar and said to him:

"Oh, George, come up on deck and enjoy the scenery. The hills and woods are just beautiful."

"After swallowing his ninth beer, George growled, 'Aw, what do I care for your hills and woods? Do you think I'm gonna lose my vacation over scenery?'"—Pathfinder.

### Salmon for Eastern Streams.

Many thousands of humpback salmon, native of the Puget sound, where they were collected by the government two years ago, entered Penobscot, Denny's, Penobscot, St. Croix and other rivers in eastern Maine this autumn as part of the fisheries bureau plan of stocking the East with the pride of the Pacific coast catch. The bureau's investigation shows that the humpback in its new environment retains its Pacific coast habit of proceeding to the ocean shortly after it begins to swim, and returning to the rivers to spawn and die when two years old. The government has made annual shipments of eggs of the humpback salmon across the continent for the past five years, drawing the consignments alternately from Washington and Alaska.

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